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13th ANNUAL CATALOGUE OF STRAWBERRY RASPBERRY & BLACKBERRY PLANTS.

DOVER, DEL.

Our Location, near Dover, the State Capital, on the Delaware Division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, with Banks, Money Order Post Office, Adams' Express, and Telegraph and Telephone Offices, gives us every facility for the prompt transaction of business with all parts of the country.

Our Stock is large and fine and free from all disease or insect pests. Growing Berry plants is our one specialty. Last year we supplied over 3,000,000 plants, to customers in nearly every state in the country. Our every year increasing trade proves the popularity and high character of our plants.

Payments must be made in Advance, but orders will be booked and held a reasonable time, and sent on remittance.

C. O. D. orders will be accepted and promptly forwarded, but when for a large amount a part of the money should accompany the order, or satisfactory reference be given.

By Freight we have shipped plants to all parts of the country east of the Missouri River with almost unvarying success, giving entire satisfaction to our many customers. We recommend freight as the cheapest and best way to get plants except in small lots or late in the season. Our new package is specially adapted for long carriage, as plants are perfectly safe for two weeks or more.

By Express. We have special direct rates with Adams and U. S. Express Companys. Orders should always state which line of Express is preferred. Our plants are put up as light as possible for Express, only weighing from 10 to 20 lbs. per 1000 when ready to go. We usually send by Express when not otherwise ordered.

By Mail we have delivered plants in large and small lots during the past year to all parts of the country, including California. These have gone to hundreds of customers and given entire satisfaction. No extra charge at dozen rates on any plants offered, nor on Strawberry plants at hundred rates. Estimates on large lots, with all charges prepaid, will be furnished on application.

Our Shipping Season begins with September and ends about May 15. Our light, sandy soil, open Winters, and warm packing rooms, give us especial facilities for filling Winter orders to Southern planters, and for starting plants to Northern and Western customers early enough in the Spring to allow for plenty of time to reach them by Freight, thus reducing the cost of transportation.

Packing in the best manner, and delivery at office in Dover, is included in all prices named. Small orders receive every care. All orders and enclosures will be promptly acknowledged and questions relating to our business carefully answered. We use light and strong packages, put in plenty of moss, and carefully separate and mark each different variety with printed tags.

Our Customers may depend on getting full count of live plants, true to name. Should any fail to get such plants from any cause not the result of their own neglect in sending proper shipping directions, they can, upon prompt notice, with proof, have plants replaced or money refunded.

Send Full Name, distinctly, with Post Office, County and State, to every communication of any kind. Failure to give the name of County often causes delay and sometimes loss.

We have to thank old customers for their continued support and the special interest shown by many in helping us to extend our business and in bearing testimony by many hearty letters to the satisfaction given by our plants

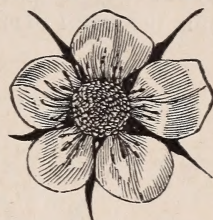
STRAWBERRIES.

To plant Strawberries, spade or plow early and at least two weeks before planting. After making the soil as fine as possible, plants may be set 18 inches each way, if for garden, or 14 inches in rows three feet wide if for field culture. One row out of every four must be of a perfect flowering variety. Dip each bunch of plants in a bucket of water, deep enough to wet all the roots but not the leaves, just before setting out. Plant in narrow trench



IMPERFECT BLOSSOM

about five inches deep, spreading the roots somewhat and covering so that the crowns will be slightly above the surface of the bed. Firm very carefully. Large beds should be rolled as soon as set out. Cultivate or hoe soon after setting, and often enough to keep all weeds down. Let enough runners



PERFECT BLOSSOM

take root to make the rows twelve inches wide, with plants standing six inches apart each way; then carefully remove all other runners, and remember that the success of your bed depends largely on the care with which this work is done. Keep this treatment up until stopped by Winter, then mulch with straw, and you have only to wait for your crop, one of the most certain, profitable, delightful and interesting that can be grown. Bone meal, ashes, or well-rotted manure, may be applied any time in the early Summer to advantage.

Strawberries we now pack in light, strong baskets or rolls, using only young, well-rooted plants, from which all dead leaves and runners have been removed. After being carefully straightened they are placed in baskets with roots in moss and leaves exposed to the air. The packages are then so secured that they can neither heat, lose out, nor be broken in handling. Strawberry plants, so put up, will keep, in perfect condition, for at least two weeks. They should not be wet or unpacked until ready to be used; unless they are to be kept over two weeks, when they may be unpacked and trenched carefully.

Those varieties marked (Imp.) are imperfect in blossom and need at least every fourth row to be planted with some perfect or staminate sort. Those marked (Per.) are especially good for use as staminates.

Order strawberry plants early, by all means, as early as possible. Let us book your orders while stock is full, and then have them shipped so as to reach you at least one week before they are wanted. It is easy to hold plants over, but delay may be fatal, and it can only be certainly avoided by having the plants on hand in good time.

The descriptions on the following pages are a careful showing of the behavior of the different kinds under ordinary field culture on our farms, compared with what the best experimenters in other sections have reported.

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NEW SEEDLING STRAWBERRY.

We take great pleasure in announcing that we have in prospect the introduction next year of a new seedling, not yet named. It is a seedling of Bubach No. 5 pollenized by Hoffman, and combines in a remarkable way the early season, firmness and high color of the Hoffman, with the large size and productiveness of Bubach. Anyone interested in this berry should write to us about May 1st, and we will then let you know what can be done to let all see this beautiful berry.

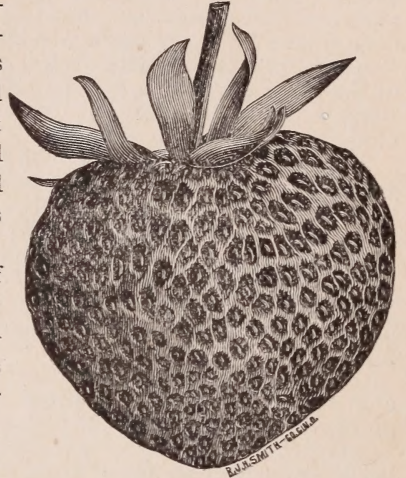
New Strawberries.

THE BRANDYWINE STRAWBERRY.

"This variety originated in eastern Pennsylvania, and is supposed to be a cross between the Glendale and Cumberland. It has been tested in many parts of the country and has generally succeeded: in fact it has not failed anywhere. I have fruited it twice and watched it very closely, and my candid opinion is that it possesses more good points than any other variety ever produced.

The plant is remarkably vigorous, of large size, and as hardy and healthy as any ever sent out. It sends out many strong runners and produces fruit in abundance. It has a perfect blossom, and its fruit colors all over as well as the best. Its season is rather late, and every berry usually comes to maturity. It has a large, green calyx that adds to the attractiveness of the fruit. The berries are very large, nearly always of regular, conical form; color, bright glossy red, which extends to the center; flesh, firm and of very excellent quality. The seeds are but slightly imbedded, which with its firmness, will enable it to bear carrying to a distant market. Its great productiveness, very large size, beauty of form and color, firmness and high quality, will make it a desirable variety for any purpose."

—*Introducer's description.*



We saw the Brandywine in bearing under the care of Prof. Beckwith on the grounds of Delaware Experiment Station. They made a fine showing, ripening late in season. Berry large, broadly conical in shape, deep scarlet color and very firm, with an unusually large cap. The Professor reports them as being very productive and promising. They have been well tested and always praised. Price \$1.00 per doz.; \$5.00 per 100 by mail. Book your orders for Brandywine early and be sure of getting them.

BANQUET.

"This variety promises to be one of the coming strawberries for home gardens and fancy market. The plant is very thrifty and the flowers are perfect. Size of fruit medium, one by one and one-quarter inches, and very uniform; shape conical, rather elongated; never coxcombed; color a rich, dark crimson, without tendency to lose color when over ripe; flesh firm, coloring to the center and ripening equally in all parts; quality very good; FLAVOR PECULIARLY RICH AND PLEASING; *possessing in a marked degree the aroma of the wild berry.* The stems hold the fruit well up from the ground, resembling Crescent in this regard. In season it is about medium."—*U. S. Pomologist.*

50 cents per dozen; \$2.00 per 100.

BISSEL (Imp.)

Comes from Illinois, where it has become noted as a market berry. A seedling of the Wilson; fruit large, conical, regular, glossy red. Flesh, light red, of good flavor and quite firm. Plant shows no sign of weakness in Delaware.

40 cents per dozen; \$1.00 per 100; \$8.00 per 1000.

H. W. BEECHER (Per.)

The plants of this variety make a striking appearance in the bed in contrast with other varieties. The large, dark, velvet leaves are beautiful in themselves, especially in contrast with other varieties. The berry has a dark, rich red color that is striking and beautiful too. Very promising.

50 cents per dozen; \$2.00 per 100; \$15.00 per 1000.

COLUMBIAN.

"In placing this berry before the public we do so with a feeling of assurance that it will please, as its place with us is first on the list. It is a bright scarlet color so much desired in a market berry, and is quite firm and remarkably large for an early berry. Ripens with Michel's Early and Hoffman and is an immense yielder; it actually bears in piles. Most early bearers are shy bearers and small in size, but the Columbian reverses this. We do not claim it to be as good, but the BEST EARLY berry. It is a strong grower and has a perfect blossom, free from rust, and sends its roots deep in the ground, thereby standing long droughts without dying out in spots."

The above description is given by the originator. We fruited this berry under favorable conditions and find the fruit comes quite up to the promises made for it.

50 cts. per 100; \$4.00 per 1000.

DEW (Per.)

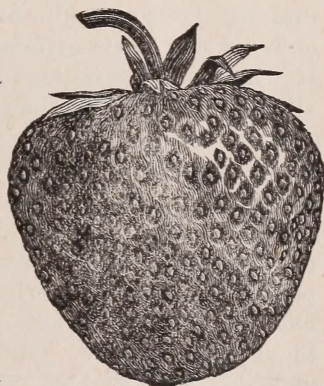
"We find this an immensely large late berry. Where size is the chief consideration we think this one will fill the bill. Plant very fine, production good though not heavy."

\$1.00 per 100; \$5.00 per 1000.

EPPING (Yankee Doodle.)

A new berry from Epping, N. H. Much praised by those who have tried it.

50 cents per dozen; \$1.00 per 100.



STRAWBERRIES.

GREENVILLE (Imp.)

A new variety of greatest promise, having received favorable reports from nearly all the prominent experimenters of the country. Described by Prof. Gladden as beginning to ripen early and holding out well to end of season. Berry large, round, conical, color bright crimson, flesh dark, productiveness high, quality good, only fairly firm. We find the plant a most vigorous grower with every promise of fine fruit and an abundance of it.
50 cents per dozen; \$1.00 per 100; \$5.00 per 1000.

IVANHOE.

This berry was originated by George W. Trowbridge, Hamilton county, Ohio. We have fruited it now for four years, and will say that it is of good size, firm, and an excellent shipper; beautiful color and of the finest flavor. It is nearer the ideal strawberry than has yet been reached. It is a grand berry to fertilize any of our large-sized berries. In manner of growth and the plant, almost everyone would think Ivanhoe was Haverland, but the fruit is very even, and firm enough to ship long distances; in fact, we know of no berry that is firmer. It is a berry that everyone likes, and we know it will please everybody.—*Introducer's Description.* \$1.00 per 100; \$6.00 per 1000.

JAY GOULD (Imp.)

After fruiting it for seven years, the originator says that it ripens earlier than the Crescent, is much larger and of better quality. In fact, it is conceded by prominent judges to be the finest in quality and the largest berry that has been grown in his part of the country. He also claims that it has endured late frosts without injury, bearing a good crop of attractive berries. It will bear picking as soon as it turns red, and will remain longer on the vines after maturity than any other strawberry.

50 cents per dozen; \$2.50 per 100.

MARSHALL (Per.)

New variety from Mass., where it took two first prizes in '92, and all the first prizes offered by Massachusetts Horticultural Society in '93. These plants were sold formerly at \$10.00 per dozen, the highest price at which we have ever known plants to sell. We have never seen any berry equalling them in appearance. Superb color, fine size and perfect shape; a model that no artist could produce who had never seen this berry, and yet one that will be at once recognized as an ideal representative of the most beautiful of fruits—the Strawberry. Plant is large, though not attaining the immense size it does with originator, where it has reached a height of 22 inches in full leaf. 3000 qts. from $\frac{1}{4}$ acre.

50 cts. per dozen; \$3.00 per 100.

MARY (Imp.)

The Originator, Mr. H. H. Alley, says this is the largest strawberry yet offered. The berries are uniformly of the conical form with blunt apex, exceptionally uniform in size and shape, and of extra rich high quality; retains its large size remarkably well, firm, of fine quality.

\$1.00 per doz.; \$3.00 per 100; \$25.00 per 1000.

LADY THOMPSON.*

Originates in North Carolina, where it has been fruited largely for market. Seeing it specially mentioned in the New York market reports as always bringing nearly double the price of any other kind, we at once sent to a grower in Mount Olive, N. C., for a sample of fruit. At the time when these berries were picked the Lady Thompson had been picking for eight weeks and was then selling much better than fresh Delaware berries. Our sample came in good order. Large, handsome berries, and along with ripe fruit were clusters of green berries in all stages and fresh blossoms showing strong stamens, and proving that its season would last at least three weeks longer, or eleven weeks in full fruit. These facts, together with the immense productiveness of this berry, make it in our opinion the most remarkable strawberry that has ever been introduced. We have secured a large lot of plants which we can offer at the wonderfully low price of

25 cents per doz.; \$1.00 per 100; \$5.00 per 1000.

Mr. J. S. Westbrook, one of the largest strawberry growers in N. C., says: I have shipped the Lady Thompson another season, and my experience has not only confirmed but increased my good opinion of its merits. It has proven its adaptability to adverse as well as favorable surroundings. We have had an unusually dry season and while the other varieties of berries succumbed to the drought and many plants died, the Lady Thompson held up and yielded a full crop of large fine berries. I began shipping them April 6, and at this writing, May 18, there are many berries on the plants, in every stage from the bloom to well-matured, ripe ones, and I am still shipping at remunerative prices, although the market is broken and small berries are worthless. I consider the Lady Thompson invaluable and very far superior to any berry I have ever seen.

Telegrams Which Speak for Themselves.

May 14, 1894.

J. S. WESTBROOK,

Dear Sir: The "Lady Thompson" berry is a great favorite on our market and leads all other berries in its season. The best evidence of our high opinion is that we expect to order plants for our own farm and recommend them to our friends.

PHILLIPS & SONS,
263 Washington St., New York.

NEW YORK, April 27, 1894.

J. S. WESTBROOK,

Your "Lady Thompson" berries sold forty to fifty, other varieties twenty to thirty-five.

PORTER BROTHERS COMPANY.

PHILADELPHIA, April 28, 1894.

J. S. WESTBROOK,

"Lady Thompson" sold forty cents, other varieties twenty-five to thirty-five.

REDFIELD & SON,
No. 141 Dock St., Phila.

NEW YORK, May 14, 1894.

J. S. WESTBROOK,

Six "Lady Thompson" cases at twenty-five cents, others at ten cents.

R. W. DIXON & SON,
No. 190 Duane St., N. Y.

NEW YORK, April 27, 1894.

J. S. WESTBROOK,

"Lady Thompson" forty cents, others twenty-five to thirty.

G. W. JUDD.

BALTIMORE, MD., April 21, 1894.

J. S. WESTBROOK,

"Lady Thompson" sold forty, others twenty-seven to thirty.

H. A. BRADY & Co.,
5 E. Camden St., Baltimore, Md.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 26, 1894.

J. S. WESTBROOK,

Sold "Lady Thompson" forty, others thirty. E. J. ADAMS & Co.

* Beware of spurious plants that will be offered for Lady Thompson. If you want to be sure of the real thing send all orders to us in good season. SLAYMAKER & SON, DOVER, DEL.

STRAWBERRIES.

PRINCESS (Imp.)

A very promising early market berry of good quality, very sweet and rich. Size medium to large. In production this ranks with the best, as also in point of firmness; color deep scarlet. Season about with Crescent.

50 cts. per 100; \$3.00 per 1000.

PRINCETON CHIEF (Per.)

The attested description of originator is a glossy, dark red berry of large size, solid and remarkably sweet; fruit is borne on stout fruit stems that carry every berry well off the ground, thus accounting for its fine color and perfect ripe flavor. Good bearer and healthy plant at its home in Illinois and in Delaware. Price very low.

50 cts. per 100; \$3.00 per 1000.

RIO.

This is the *Rural New Yorker's* choice as first early. "Berry a fine dark crimson and a good shipper. One acre produces more than five of Michel's, but it ripens 2d early with me."—*C. P. Bauer*.

50 cts. per 100; \$4.00 per 1000.

SPLENDID.

CUYAHOGA FALLS, Ohio.—I have fruited it twice and can offer it to my customers with great confidence. The plant is a healthy, luxuriant grower, sends out many runners, bears abundantly. The fruit is large and far above the average in quality and appearance. It is desirable either for home use or market.—*M. Crawford*.

50 cents per doz.; \$3.00 per 100.

SMELTZER EARLY.

"Very vigorous and healthy plants. Yielded an abundance of very fine fruit. Similar to Smith's Early in habit of plants and fruit; begins to ripen its fruit early and continues in bearing a long time."—(From 1894 Bulletin of Delaware Agricultural Experiment Station.) We had this in fruit on both our farms, and in each case we picked our first ripe berries from this variety. For so early a berry it is quite productive, decidedly ahead of Michel's Early in both size and productiveness. In quality and appearance it resembles Michel's. Best of all for an extra early Strawberry, especially adapted for the South.

50 cents per 100; \$2.50 per 1000.

SHUCKLESS.

Interesting on account of its habit when ripe of leaving the cap as it is gathered. Plant and berry resemble the Mount Vernon, of which it is likely a seedling.

\$2.00 per 100; \$10.00 per 1000.

TENNESSEE PROLIFIC.

A perfect bloomer that has had nothing but praise on all sides. Large and productive as Bubach, several days earlier, and a staminate, are the claims of its many friends in Virginia. On Spring set plants it gave us large, smooth, round, bright red berries, firm enough to carry well, and good enough to eat out of hand. The plant is clean, dark and vigorous in foliage, producing an abundance of strong plants.

Price reduced to
50 cts. per doz.; 75 cts. per 100; \$6.00 per 1000.

TIMBRELL (Imp.)

We have fruited this berry for the first time in our own beds the past season, and find that it comes fully up to the description given it by the editors of *The Rural New Yorker*, who have had it bearing on their grounds for several years. We find that it excels especially in quality, being without a rival in its high natural strawberry flavor. It looks well, but is always better than it looks; most berries taste quite insipid after you have



eaten of this Queen of Berries. In size it ranges from large to very large, one grower in the West reporting a quart full with only ten berries in it. In color it is certainly distinct, having a mottled appearance, which becomes more nearly a solid crimson as the berry ripens fully. In productiveness we should class it with the Bubach, which has probably never been excelled as a heavy yielder. Plants have been thoroughly healthy here and we are informed that they continue healthy on the *Rural* grounds where they have had years of trial. Timbrell, though spoken of in unmeasured praise by most who have tried it, has not wholly escaped adverse comment. But at the price

we now offer it no one can afford to let it go untried.

40 cts. per doz.; \$1.00 per 100; \$7.00 per 1000.

✓ VAN DEMAN (Per.)

This gave the most promise as an early market berry of any variety yet introduced. Plant is vigorous. Berry, beautiful bright scarlet and so firm as to make it an extra good shipper. It is also a good sized berry when grown to full size and very productive. Its fault seems to be that too many berries are set for ordinary culture. We are yet firm in the belief that this will prove a valuable berry to many good growers. 40 cts. per 100; \$2.50 per 1000.

Older Varieties.

✓ BEVERLY (Per.)

The great value of this berry consists not in surpassing other varieties in one or two points but in combining in such a remarkable degree all the desirable characteristics of the strawberry. Plant is faultless, fruit is large, of a dark rich red color and superior and distinct quality.

50 cts. per 100; \$3.00 per 1000.

✓ BUBACH No. 5 (Imp.)

The large size, handsome appearance and heavy bearing qualities of this variety make it the most popular market berry of this and many other sections. We think Phillips, Lovett's or Saunders best to plant with Bubach. 25 cts. per dozen; 40 cts. per hundred; \$2.00 per 1000.

STRAWBERRIES.**DAYTON (Per.)**

Its season is about that of Crescent, color and appearance somewhat like Haverland, and in yield we are forcibly reminded of Bubach. Plant is very large and strong, and though the berry is not as firm as we would like, it is yet as firm as some of the most popular sorts now grown, and being staminate it appears most promising. Try it if you want lots of large berries for a market not over one day from the patch. 50 cts. per 100; \$2.50 per 1000.

ECLIPSE (Imp.)

We can only recommend this berry to those growers who have tried it and found it free from its great enemy the leaf blight. Those who can grow it will ask nothing better as a market berry, in fact we hardly see how it could be improved on, when it grows to perfection.

50 cts. per 100; \$3.00 per 1000.

EDGAR QUEEN (Imp.)

Fruit large and of excellent quality, vine strong and healthy, productive and good for near market. This variety did remarkably well in the season of '94. One of our very best medium to late sorts.

40 cts. per 100; \$2.00 per 1000.

ENHANCE (Per.)

This variety gave us the most satisfactory results of any variety fruited for market in '92. It is a berry of rather uneven shape but always large, high colored and firm. But its strong point for market is its ripening season after the glut is all over, when the market is always firm and its fine appearance is sure to attract attention. Its yield is fully double that of the Gandy, which has been our best late variety, and its plant is of the most healthy type.

50 cts. per 100; \$2.50 per 1000.

GANDY (Per.)

The standard late berry for market or home use. It gives three or four heavy pickings of the finest berries known to our city markets after most varieties have ceased to fruit or become so small and poor as to be unsaleable. It is also a berry of high quality and a sure though not heavy bearer, succeeds everywhere, and should have a place in every strawberry bed.

40 cts. per 100; \$2.00 per 1000.

HAVERLAND (Imp.)

A grand market berry, early, always productive, large and satisfactory to the market grower.

40 cts. per 100; \$2.00 per 1000.

JESSIE (Per.)

A great favorite of many good growers, while a comparative failure with others. Its fruit is of the best quality and carries well, while its blossom is fully charged with pollen, and therefore it ranks with the best as a fertilizer for imperfect sorts.

40 cts. per 100; \$2.00 per 1000.

LOVETT'S (Per.)

Introduced as an early variety this has failed to come to time entirely. We must not let this fact blind us to its other excellent qualities. A fine grower and producer, of exceptionally fine color and good large uniform size. As a fertilizer for imperfect sorts and as a market berry it is unsurpassed in its season.

40 cts. per 100; \$2.00 per 1000.

MEEK'S EARLY (Per.)

Ripens with the first. A very fine early market berry. Larger than other berries of its season, good color and extra good carrier. Like other extra early kinds it is only a moderate yielder. Plant of the most vigorous type.

40 cts. per 100; \$2.00 per 1000.

MICHEL'S EARLY.

This berry was largely fruited for market last year and it may safely be placed first in time of ripening. While it is not so large or productive as many later varieties it is sure to be remunerative on account of its early season and certain crop. It should have a prominent place in every garden, both on account of its earliness and the sweet, good, clean berries it will yield.

40 cts. per 100; \$2.00 per 1000.

PHILLIPS (Per.)

A new seedling of Sharpless type that stands very high in our estimation for its vigorous growth, large and luscious berry and abundant crop. Produces plants in great quantity and needs to have this tendency checked to give the best results in fruit. We have planted of this variety largely for market and can now offer in large quantities and at low price.

40 cts. per 100; \$2.00 per 1000.

SAUNDERS (Per.)

A fine dark red berry of good size and fine shipping quality. One of the best fertilizing varieties on our grounds.

40 cents per 100; \$2.00 per 1000.

SHARPLESS (Per.)

Old, but maintaining its high place in the public estimation on account of its fine size and splendid carrying qualities. 25 cts. per doz.; 40 cts. per 100; \$2.00 per 1000.

STAYMAN No. 1 (Imp.)

This is the most productive of the very late varieties. It is medium to large in size, bright in color, vigorous in growth, and valuable for late market. 40 cts. per 100; \$2.50 per 1000.

WARFIELD No. 2 (Imp.)

Valuable alike for its firmness, fine color and immense crop. Season, medium to late. Grows in favor every year. The best hotels in Chicago now have the Warfield on their bills of fare, thus testifying to its high standing among consumers in the World's Fair City.

40 cts. per 100; \$2.00 per 1000.

WILSON ALBANY (Per.)

Oldest variety on our list but yet the standard for firmness and color. Blossom of the most perfect type.

40 cts. per 100; \$2.00 per 1000.



WARFIELD.

SPECIAL OFFERS.

1. (Sample Collection) 3 dozen of 3 good varieties, post-paid, \$0.25
2. (Collection for home use) 300 plants of three good varieties, early, middle season and late, prepaid, our selection 1.00
3. (Amateur's collection) 1 dozen each of Timbrell, Tennessee, Columbian, H. W. Beecher, Banquet, Greenville, Rio, Dew, Lady Thompson, Bissell, by mail 2.00
4. (Trial bed collection) 6 Brandywine, 6 Marshall, 6 Lady Thompson, 6 H. W. Beecher, 6 Holland, 6 Tennessee, 6 Rio, 6 Belle, 6 No Name, 6 Cyclone, by mail 1.50
5. (Test collection) 25 Smeltzer, 25 Timbrell, 25 Columbian, 25 Lady Thompson, 25 Epping, 25 Tennessee, 1.00
6. (Gardener's collection) 100 each of Tennessee, Dayton, Columbian, Greenville, Timbrell, Enhance and Saunders, 3.00

General List.

Description of any of these varieties sent when called for. One dozen of any kind in this list sent by mail for 25 cents.

	Per 100.	Per 1000.		Per 100.	Per 1000.
Atlantic (Per.)	\$0 40	\$2 00	Kentucky (Imp.)	40	\$2 00
Anne Forrest,	1 00	5 00	Leader,	\$1 00	6 00
Accomack,	1 00	5 00	Louise, Burpee's (Per.)	40	2 00
Auburn (Per.)	1 00	5 00	Lovett's, (Per.)	40	2 00
Burt (Per.)	40	2 00	Lincoln,	40	2 00
Bomba (Per.)	50		Lady Rusk (Imp.)	40	2 00
Bubach (5)	40	2 00	Leviathan,	1 00	
Bubach (132)	50		Meek's Early,	50	2 00
Belle of Lacrosse,	40	2 00	Middlefield, (Imp.)	40	2 00
Beverly,	50	4 00	Mt. Vernon (Imp.)	40	2 00
Bidwell,	40		Manchester (Imp.)	40	2 00
Beder Wood,	40	2 00	May King (Per.)	40	2 00
Crescent (Imp.)	30	1 25	Maxwell,	50	3 00
Crystal City, earliest,	30	2 00	Monmouth (Per.)	40	2 00
Columbian,	50	4 00	Michel's Early,	40	2 00
Cumberland (Per.)	40	2 00	Mrs. Cleveland,	40	2 00
Charles Downing (Per.),	40	2 00	Muskingum, (Per.)	40	2 00
California Everbearing,	75	6 00	Ontario (Per.)	40	2 00
Champion (Imp.)	40	2 00	Oregon Everbearing,	50	4 00
Crawford (Per.)	50	3 00	Parker Earle,	1 00	6 00
California (Per.)	40	2 00	Pearl (Per.)	40	2 00
Clarke's Early,	1 00		Pineapple (Per.)	40	2 00
Cloud (Imp.)	30	1 50	Parry (Per.)	40	2 00
Cyclone,	50	4 00	Princess, (Imp.)	50	3 00
Chair's Favorite,	1 00	4 00	Phillips, (Per.)	40	2 00
Daisy,	40	2 00	Regina (Late)	50	3 00
Dayton,	50	2 50	Robinson,	50	3 00
Eclipse (Imp.)	50	2 50	Shuster Gem,	1 00	5 00
Enhance (Per.)	50	2 50	Sharpless, (Per.)	40	2 00
Eureka (Imp.)	50	2 00	Smeltzer Early,	40	2 50
Edgar Queen (Imp.)	40	2 00	Saunders (Per.)	40	2 00
Felton (Per.)	50		Swindle,	1 00	6 00
E. P. Roe,	50	5 00	Stayman No. 1 (Imp.)	40	2 00
Gandy, late,	40	2 00	Tippecanoe,	1 00	4 00
Gypsy (Imp.) early,	30	2 00	Victor Hugo	40	2 00
Gov. Hoard,	50	4 00	Van Dieman, (Per.)	40	2 00
Great Pacific (Imp.)	50	2 50	Warfield No. 2, (Imp.)	40	2 00
Haverland (Imp.)	40	2 00	Westbrook (Per.)	40	1 25
Hoffman,	40	2 00	Wilson Albany (Per.)	40	2 00
Hurlburt, (Per.)	40	1 50	Walton,	40	2 00
Iowa Beauty,	50	2 50	Yale, late,	40	2 00
Jessie, (Per.)	40	2 00			

In the above list those varieties printed in heavy type do best in this part of Delaware. If intending purchasers will send us description of the kind of land on which they wish to plant, we will make selection of varieties that will be sure to give satisfaction.

RASPBERRIES.

Raspberries are best planted in hills, about four by six feet, and arranged so as to be cultivated both ways. Set the plant in furrow about an inch deeper than it stood in nursery; firm very carefully, and cultivate clean and well. Canes should be pinched back in July, but no lateral branches should be cut before March, when the plant should be trimmed to such dimensions as will enable it to hold up its fruit. Bearing beds should be worked well, but shallow until fruit begins to ripen. A good bed of these berries should last from six to ten years.

Red berries grow from suckers which put up from the roots. In bearing beds these suckers should be kept down by cultivator and hoe, allowing only about four good strong canes to each hill. Plants of all the cap raspberries are grown from tips of branches, which take root in the soft soil.

✓ MILLER RED RASPBERRY. (See plate on back of cover.)

We fruited this Raspberry the past season alongside of most all the best varieties. The berries began to ripen with the first and continued to give full pickings until the very last. The fruit sold in New York market in the height of the season at just double the price of other kinds.

The bush is stout, healthy, vigorous grower, not quite so tall as Cuthbert, rather more stocky and dwarfish. It is well calculated to hold up the immense crops of fruit with which it loads itself.

As compared with Cuthbert and Thompson, in the same field, it has never yet shown any signs of winter killing, whilst these have both suffered the past mild winter considerably. Berry is as large as Cuthbert, holding its size to the end of the season, round in shape, color bright red, does not fade, but will hold its color after shipment longer than any other red variety, core very small, does not crumble, making it the firmest and best shipping berry in existence; has not the flat taste of some varieties, but a rich fruity flavor entirely its own. The time of ripening is with the very earliest, the first picking being with Thompson's Early, June 11th, the Miller producing double the quantity of berries at each picking that Thompson's did, in the same field under the same conditions, continuing until August 3d—Thompson having been gone three weeks—fully as prolific as Cuthbert. It does not seem particular as to soil, having been fruited on light sandy, gravelly and heavy clay soils, with equal success. To sum up, it possesses the following points of superiority as compared with other varieties: 1st. Ripens with the very earliest. 2d. Productiveness equal to any. 3d. Has no equal as shipper. 4th. Perfectly hardy. 5th. Quality unsurpassed. 6th. Attractive color.

Below will be found a few testimonials from well-known horticulturists, commission men and fruit growers, who have seen and handled this berry:

} U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
} Division of Pomology, Washington, D. C., July 3, '94.

Dear Sir.—Your letter of July 2d describing the Miller Raspberry received, for which, and the berries, accept my thanks.

It has every appearance of being remarkably productive; in fact, your trial with it and Thompson's Early establishes its fruitfulness; is of a beautiful color which it retains even when berries are crushed in transportation, is of good size, of remarkable firmness and should prove a valuable addition to our list of red raspberries. In quality I consider it superior to Cuthbert.

Yours truly, S. B. HEIGES, Pomologist.

LATER.—July 6th.—Since reading your letter of July 4th I am doubly impressed with the merits of the Miller. Its earliness, firmness, productiveness, bright color and good quality combine to make it a very promising variety for market.

Yours truly, S. B. HEIGES, Pomologist.

PARKSLEY, VA., July 13, 1894. Dear Sir.—Your letter of the 2d and the box of the Miller Raspberry came all right. It is indeed a good berry. The size, color and flavor are good, and it is quite firm enough to ship well.

Yours sincerely, H. E. VAN DEMAN, Ex-U. S. Pomologist.

MILLER RASPBERRY.

} Office of THE FARM JOURNAL,
} Editorial Department, Philadelphia, July 3, 1894.

Dear Sir.—We received in good order the little box of Miller Raspberries. They are certainly very large and fine.

Yours truly, WILMER ATKINSON CO.

PHILADELPHIA, July 4, 1894. Dear Sir.—Your letter received. We think without exception you have sent us the finest red raspberries we have handled, and yesterday while all Queens were soft, your Miller was firm and hard.

SMITH & MILLER, Produce and Commission Merchants.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., July 13, 1894. Dear Sir.—Your raspberry called the Miller is the best raspberry that ever came to this market, for color and size. Their keeping qualities have never been equaled, as I have found that they are as firm after twenty-four hours standing as the general run of raspberries are at picking.

Yours, THOS. H. TOWNSEND, Commission Merchant.

PHILADELPHIA, July, 1894. Dear Sir.—The Miller Raspberry, which we have handled for you this season, we consider an excellent berry; surpassed by none in size, flavor and durability in shipping. We would recommend the cultivation of this variety, as it cannot but prove a very profitable undertaking for the grower.

Respectfully,

J. P. MOYER & Co., Wholesale Commission Merchants.

PHILADELPHIA, July 5, 1894. Dear Sir.—The red raspberries we have been handling for you, called the Miller, we have found to give the best satisfaction to our trade of any berry we have handled this season. They have been of good color, very large and firm, and we always had them engaged on arrival. Every one who has bought them of us has praised them very highly and has engaged them ahead. We have always been able to get from two to four cents per quart more for them than any of the other berries we have handled at same time. Wishing you success with your berries, we remain,

Yours,

DENNEY & WRIGHT, Commission Merchants.

BRIDGEVILLE, DEL., July 26, 1894. Dear Sir.—I have seen the Miller Raspberry fruiting in a six-acre field side by side with Queen of the Market and Thompson's Early Prolific. It is as early as Thompson's, larger than Queen, and the firmest red I ever saw; does not crumble or drop from the branches if not picked more than three times a week; is firm and all right; holds its color better than any red I ever saw, and the most productive of any, even surpassing the well known Queen. The first picking was on the 11th of June and they are still picking to-day.

Yours,

GEO. W. WILLIN,

Grower and Dealer in Fruits.

SEAFORD, DEL., July 28, 1894.—I have known the Miller Raspberry for ten years, having seen it when first known here, and recommended it as a splendid berry to the gentleman having it. The berry has now made its own reputation in this section and every one wants it that is engaged in raspberry culture. The chief characteristics of the plant are that it is a vigorous and hardy grower, a good bearer, earlier than Cuthbert, a splendid shipper, retaining its color and solidity longer than any other red berry, and with our people, has been the most profitable.

E. L. MARTIN,

Ex-Pres. Peninsula Horticultural Society and Del. Fruit Exchange.

BRIDGEVILLE, DEL., August 3, 1894.—I am satisfied the Miller Red Raspberry is the most profitable grown. I carefully examined it and other varieties side by side and I consider it, without doubt, more productive and better in every respect. Shipping qualities unsurpassed.

P. L. CANNON,

President First National Bank, Seaford.

Price, \$4.00 per doz.; \$10.00 per 100; \$75.00 per 1000.

(*Caution.*) Miller Raspberry should be bought direct from us or a nurseryman who is surely to be depended on. There will doubtless be worthless plants sold for Miller.

THE COLUMBIAN RASPBERRY.

The COLUMBIAN is a new candidate for horticultural favor, which the originator offers to the public, confident that it will head the list of first-class berries.

"We believe that all that is necessary to prove what we say is to give it a fair trial, and that when it is as well known abroad, as it is at home it will advertise itself.

The original bush, past nine years of age, is as vigorous, thrifty and productive as ever. It is a seedling of the Cuthbert, grown near the Gregg blackcap raspberry, and believed to be a cross between the two. It produced 30 qts. of berries in 1894.

The following points show the superiority of the Columbian:

1. It is a most vigorous grower, canes ten to sixteen feet in length and often over an inch in diameter, strong and woody, color light green, changing to bright red in autumn.
2. Its foliage is very handsome and healthful, light green in color, retaining its health and hue until killed by autumn frosts.
3. Its roots are large and penetrate the soil to a great depth, thus enabling it to resist drouth successfully.
4. It propagates readily from the tips, and never suckers from the roots.
5. It is very hardy, enduring 28° below zero without harm.
6. Fruit very large, often an inch in diameter; shape somewhat conical; color dark red bordering on purple; adheres firmly to the stem and will dry on the bush if not picked; seeds small and deeply imbedded in a rich juicy pulp with a distinct flavor of its own, making it a most delicious table berry."—*Originator's Description.* 50 cts. each; \$5 per doz.; \$30 per 100.

CUTHBERT.

The old standard red raspberry, long season, very productive, best quality. 75 cts. per 100; \$5.00 per 1000.

GOLDEN QUEEN.

A yellow berry, sweet and good as well as a handsome table berry. Very productive. 50 cts. per doz.; \$1.00 per 100; \$10.00 per 1000.

HANSEL.

Red berry, good size, very early; needs high manuring. 40 cts. per doz.; 75 cts. per 100; \$6.00 per 1000.

ROYAL CHURCH. Price, 25 cts. each.

THOMPSON'S EARLY. \$1.50 per 100; \$10.00 per 1000.

TURNER.

Red berry, ripens with Brandywine and about 5 days after Hansel, medium size and highly productive when not too much crowded with suckers. 40 cts. per doz.; 75 cts. per 100; \$5.00 per 1000.

EUREKA.

A new black cap that is very well recommended. Exceeds the Palmer in size and productiveness while ripening equally early. \$1.00 per dozen; \$3.00 per 100.

PALMER.

Most productive early black cap. Strong grower and large berry. 40 cts. per dozen; \$1.00 per 100; \$6.00 per 1000.

SOUHEGAN. 40 cts. per dozen; 75 cts. per 100; \$5.00 per 1000.

JAPAN WINEBERRY.

A fine novelty from Japan. Valuable not only for its large crop of berries, but for its unique growth and ornamental character. Every garden should have it. 5 cts. each; 50 cts. per doz.

BLACKBERRIES.

Plant in early Spring or late Fall. Should be in rows each way so as to cross cultivate, 4 by 6 feet apart. Set carefully and firm well. Cultivate and trim like Raspberries. Manure and fertilize ground abundantly, and don't let more than three canes grow to each hill. Remove old fruit canes as soon as possible after picking and before cultivating season the following Spring.

LUCRETIA DEWBERRY.



Every year growing in favor in all parts of the country. Large black berry, produced on running canes that lie close to the ground through the Winter, safe from all danger of injury from cold, but must be tied up to stakes in the Spring. Productive, healthy plant, easy to grow and very satisfactory to gather. 40 cents per dozen; \$1.00 per hundred; \$5.00 per thousand.

ELDORADO BLACKBERRY.

An accidental seedling from Ohio, remarkable for its excellent quality. Hon. H. E. Van Dieman is our authority for claiming that it is the best Blackberry in point of quality; also productive and hardy. Berry large with small seed. Ripens early. Price 40 cents each; \$3.00 per dozen.

MAXWELL.

25 cents each; \$2.00 per hundred.

LUCRETIA DEWBERRY.

OHMER.

This new Blackberry comes very highly recommended from the originator of the Gregg Raspberry and bearing his own name. The fruit is large to very large, jet black, of excellent flavor and ripens with Snyder.

\$2.00 per doz.; \$10.00 per 100.

ERIE. 50 cents per dozen; \$2.00 per hundred.

EARLY HARVEST.

Earliest Blackberry. Sure bearer, small, sweet berry of fine uniform shape, bright color and good carrier.

30 cents per dozen; 75 cents per 100; \$5.00 per 1000.

WILSON'S EARLY.

Most Popular Blackberry. Large, handsome berry, good quality and heavy bearer.

40 cents per dozen; 75 cents per 100; \$5.00 per 1000.

ASPARAGUS.

Strong assorted plants 2 years—**CONOVER'S COLOSSAL**, \$2.00 per 1000.
BARR'S MAMMOTH, \$2.50 per 1000.
DONALD'S ELMIRA, \$7.00 per 1000.
 One year plants at \$1.00 per 1000 less than above prices.

CURRANTS.

RED DUTCH and **CHERRY**. \$1.00 per doz.; \$5.00 per 100.

GOOSEBERRIES.

DOWNING and **HOUGHTON**. 50 cents per dozen; \$2.00 per 100.

THE KOONCE PEAR.

"The incomparable Early Pear."—*Stark Bros.*

DESCRIPTION.

Season very early—as early as the earliest. Fruit medium to large, very handsome; surface yellow, one side covered with a bright carmine. Stem meaty and short. Quality very good, spicy, juicy, sweet. Far ahead of any other early pear. Tree very hardy and an extra strong grower, not subject to blight. Bore a heavy crop in 1894 when all other pears in its locality were killed by late frost.

Believing that many of our customers would like to try this new early pear that has been such a source of profit and pleasure to growers in Southern Illinois, we have secured a good stock of small but thrifty trees, suitable for shipment along with our small fruit plants, which we offer at 50 cents each; \$40.00 per 100.

SLAYMAKER & SON, DOVER, DEL.

CRIMSON CLOVER.

(TRIFOLIUM INCARNATUM.)

We use this as a preparatory crop for all kinds of berries. It is sown in July or August, either with corn at its last cultivation or on land which has grown a crop of early vegetables. It makes a strong Fall growth, filling the ground with roots that decay quickly when plowed early the next Spring, leaving the soil in the best possible condition for the future crop. This new

Clover crop has grown wonderfully popular, both as a pasture and hay crop, and as a first-class soil improver, fully equalling the common red clover in this respect, and much easier to grow, requiring only a short time to mature and growing when most crops are comparatively dormant, thus protecting the soil from leaching and washing at the season when most damage occurs from these causes. We find new uses for this crop every year. No fruit grower can now afford to fail to avail himself of this valuable helper to good farming and good crops. Price of good fresh seed, by mail, 25 cents per pound ; by express, \$2.00 per peck, \$5.00 per bushel.

Our special circular about Crimson Clover will be ready to mail July 1st. It will contain valuable information concerning this new friend of the farmer with directions for seeding and lowest market prices. Will be sent to all who apply for it.

EGGS FOR HATCHING.

We keep Barred and White Plymouth Rock and Light Brahma fowls each kind on a different farm ; thus giving the hens plenty of room to range about and yet keep the stock pure.

Eggs from hens at large are admittedly better than from ones kept in close quarters, as is necessarily the case where several breeds are kept on one place.

Our stock is kept in fine shape by always mating with the best blood of the best Fanciers. This year we put in fine new cocks all around from celebrated prize-winning stock.

We have also to offer this year pure White Holland Turkey Eggs. This variety of Turkeys combines beautiful white plumage with healthy constitution and home-staying habits.

Price, per setting, in basket, ready to ship ; 13 Barred Plymouth Rock, 50 cts. ; 13 White Plymouth Rock, 75 cts. ; 13 Light Brahma, 75 cts. ; 5 White Holland Turkey Eggs, \$1.00 : one setting of Light Brahma and one of Plymouth Rock, \$1.25.



SLAYMAKER & SON.

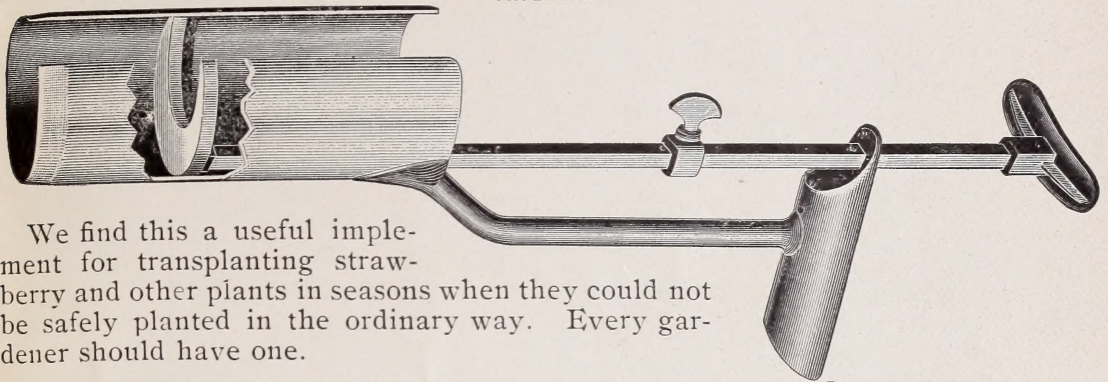
MEXICO, N. Y., December 7, 1894.

From the four settings of Eggs I hatched and raised 26 chickens, 13 White P. R. and 13 Barred P. R. I took one pair of White and one pair of the Barred to the Oswego County Fair and received first premium on each pair. There were some pretty good ones of both kinds there, but they did not "get there" beside yours.

VINCENT S. ORVIS.

THE BALDRIDGE TRANSPLANTER.

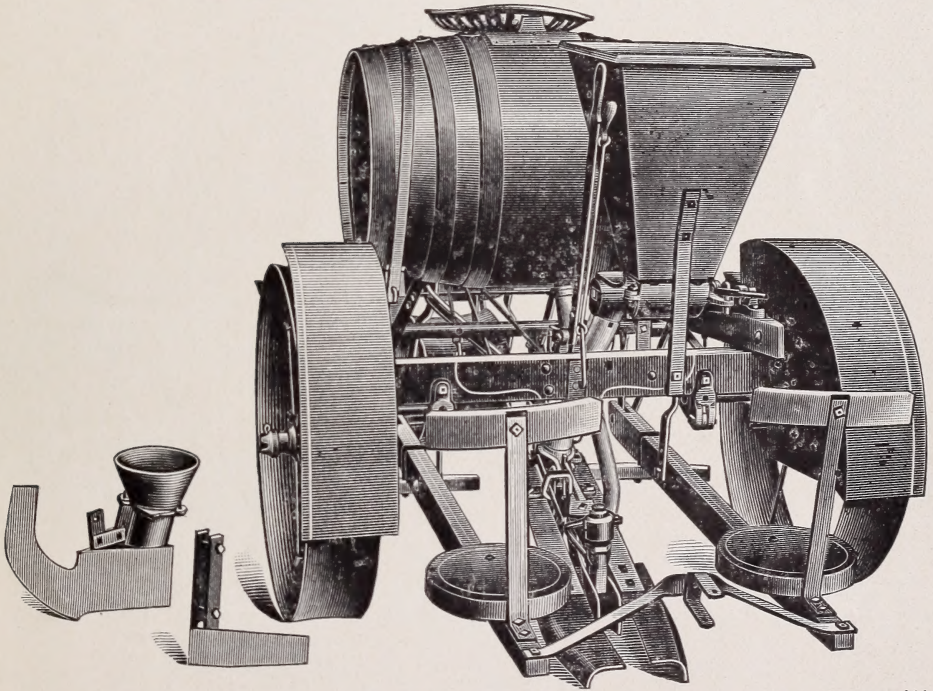
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We find this a useful implement for transplanting strawberry and other plants in seasons when they could not be safely planted in the ordinary way. Every gardener should have one.

PRICE with blade 2 inches in diameter, **\$1.25.**

THE BEMIS TRANSPLANTER.



Waters every plant. Sets one row at a time fast as a steady team will walk. Can be set to plant any width, marks out the next row, sows its own fertilizer and can be made to plant in check rows. After 2 years' use of one of these planters we can recommend them to our patrons as the best way of setting plants in large lots.

Price, \$75.00. Fertilizer Attachment, \$10.00 extra.

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SLAYMAKER & SON, Dover, Del.



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RED RASPBERRY